

### **Listing of Claims**

1. (Currently Amended) A coating composition comprising a urethane polymer, a hydrocarbon solvent, and fumed alumina.
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4. (Original) The composition of claim 1 wherein the coating composition includes water.
5. (Original) The composition of claim 2 wherein said coating composition comprises a total solids weight between about 15 and 80 wt%.
6. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 1 further comprising one or more additives chosen from the group consisting of coalescing aids, crosslinkers, silica, thickeners, freeze thaw agents, surfactants, defoamers, biocides, preservatives, flow control agents, dispersants, surface driers, through driers, antiskinning agents, and mixtures thereof.
7. (Currently Amended) The composition of claim 1 wherein said fumed alumina has a density between about 40 and 150 ~~g/cm<sup>2</sup>~~ g/cm<sup>3</sup>.
8. (Original) The composition of claim 1 wherein said fumed alumina comprises between about 0.1 and 5 wt% of the coating composition.

9. (Original) The composition of claim 1 wherein the fumed alumina has a particle size of less than about 1  $\mu\text{m}$ .
10. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 6 in which the coalescing aid comprises a glycol ether, the crosslinker comprises epoxy silanes, amino silanes or aziridine derivatives, the freeze thaw agent comprises ethylene glycol, diethylene glycol, propylene glycol or mixtures thereof, the surfactant comprises polyalkeneoxide modified polydimethylsiloxane, 2,4,7,9-tetramethyl-5-decyn-4,7-diol or sulfosuccinate, the defoamer comprises methylalkylpolysiloxane, the flow control agent comprises polyether modified dimethylpolysiloxane copolymer, the surface drier comprises cobalt or manganese solution, and the through drier comprises calcium, aluminum or zirconium solution.
11. (Original) A method for making a coating composition comprising combining a urethane polymer and fumed alumina in a hydrocarbon solvent.
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13. (Currently Amended) The A method of claim 11 wherein the for making a coating composition comprising combining a urethane polymer, an acrylic polymer and fumed alumina are combined in water.
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15. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 11 wherein said coating composition comprises a total solids weight between about 15 and 80 wt%.

16. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 11 further comprising mixing with the coating composition one or more additives chosen from the group consisting of coalescing aids, crosslinkers, silica, thickeners, freeze thaw agents, surfactants, defoamers, biocides, preservatives, flow control agents, dispersants, surface driers, through driers, antiskinning agents, and mixtures thereof.
17. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 11 wherein said fumed alumina has a density between about 40 and 150 ~~g/cm<sup>2</sup>~~ g/cm<sup>3</sup>.
18. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 11 wherein said fumed alumina comprises between about 0.1 and 5 wt% of the coating composition.
19. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 16 in which the coalescing aid comprises a glycol ether, the crosslinker comprises epoxy silanes, amino silanes or aziridine derivatives, the freeze thaw agent comprises ethylene glycol, diethylene glycol, propylene glycol or mixtures thereof, the surfactant comprises polyalkeneoxide modified polydimethylsiloxane, 2,4,7,9-tetramethyl-5-decyn-4,7-diol or sulfosuccinate, the defoamer comprises methylalkylpolysiloxane, the flow control agent comprises polyether modified dimethylpolysiloxane copolymer, the surface drier comprises cobalt or manganese solution, and the through drier comprises calcium, aluminum or zirconium solution.
20. (Original) A method of finishing a wood floor comprising:
- a. stripping an existing coating from the wood floor and/or sanding the wood floor, and
  - b. the application of a coating composition comprising urethane polymers and fumed alumina to said wood floor.

21. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 20 wherein said application step b is repeated to increase finish thickness.

22. (New) A coating composition comprising a urethane polymer, an acrylic polymer and a fumed alumina.